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Cemstone Receives 2016 NRMCA Excellence in Safety Awards

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Cemstone, the upper Midwest's leader in high performance concrete, has been chosen as a recipient of 32 Gold Level National Ready Mixed Concrete Association Excellence in Safety Awards (Cemstone Concrete Materials (11), Cemstone Products Company (14), and Cemstone Ready Mix (7)).

The National Ready Mixed Concrete Association's Producer Excellence in Quality Award recognizes the commitment to safety initiatives of ready mixed concrete producer members. The NRMCA Safety Contest has for many years been a safety performance and incentive / award program aimed to foster safe practices at ready mixed concrete plants across the nation and recognize those plants who have great safety records. In November 2008, the NRMCA Safety Task Group updated the "Excellence in Safety Awards Program" to a 3-tier system and began basing the winning facilities off of the latest OSHA / Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) Incident Rate available for the ready mixed concrete industry. Starting in 2009 only those plants with an incident rate below the national average receive awards. The latest BLS data (as of Jan., 2017) shows the ready mixed concrete industry with an incident rate of 4.0. The 3-tiers of "Excellence in Safety Awards" are broken down into Gold, Silver and Bronze:

- Gold – Incident rate equal to zero
- Silver – Incident rate greater than zero and equal to or less than 2.0 (1/2 the industry average)
- Bronze – Incident rate greater than 2.0 and less than 4.0

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The National Ready Mixed Concrete Association was established in 1930 and operates through a partnership agreement with state associations. Its mission is to responsibly represent and serve the entire ready mixed concrete industry through leadership, promotion and education. With a goal of recognizing companies that demonstrate continuous improvement through their quality initiatives, and simultaneously setting attainable goals for concrete producer's intent on elevating their quality management systems. As an award-winning producer, Cemstone's exceptional quality management practices are acknowledged.

Founded in 1927, Cemstone operates ready-mix concrete plants in Minnesota, western Wisconsin, and northern Iowa. The company operates a fleet of blue Cemstone ready-mix trucks, offers a complete line of concrete pumping capabilities, aggregates, engineering services, concrete block and masonry products used in the construction of concrete structures. To learn more about Cemstone products and services, phone **1-800-CEMSTONE** or visit www.cemstone.com.